



Lynn Allen Hunsaker

November 27, 1946 - January 1, 2023

Lynn Allen Hunsaker, 76, longtime resident of Rupert, Idaho, and recently of St. George, Utah, passed away Sunday, January 1, 2023, in St. George, Utah, after a brief illness.

Lynn was born of goodly parents - DeVon P. Hunsaker and Irene Smith, November 27th, 1946, at Christensen Maternity Home in Rupert, Idaho. He was sandwiched between his older siblings Louise (DeWayne) Bywater of Pocatello ID, and Glenn (Susan) Hunsaker of Rigby, ID, and his younger siblings Ron (Susan) Hunsaker of Gilbert, AZ, Dee (Julie) Hunsaker of Rupert Idaho, Jolene Hunsaker of Rupert Idaho, Charlotte Reedy of Rupert Idaho, Karen (Tom) Tucker of Pocatello ID. Lynn grew up on the family dairy farm on the Snake River south of Rupert, as well as the homestead the family drew on the north side of town. He spent those early years bonding over farm work with his three brothers, three sisters, and lots of cousins. He knew and loved all his cousins and cherished the cousin dinners they held together later in life.

Lynn graduated from Minico High School, then served a full-time mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the West Mexico Mission. It was on his mission that he developed a deep love for and desire to serve people. Following his mission, he returned home and in 1969 found him attending Idaho State University, where he met the love of his life, Linda Lois Hall. They were married October 24, 1969, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

After graduation from Idaho State University, Lynn, Linda, and their small family moved back to Rupert and purchased a farm next to his parents.

In Rupert they were blessed with 5 children, Amy, Brian, Kate, Adam, and Tim. Their family continued to expand as they welcomed their “bonus children” Brady Belnap, Amy Jo (Armstrong) Hunsaker, Adam Maxfield, Jennifer (Johnson) Hunsaker, and Stephanie (Bresee) Hunsaker.

His grandkids were the greatest blessings in his life. His favorite activity in the whole world was to spend time with Jeffrey (Angy) Hunsaker, Ryker Belnap, Kitanna (Carson) Taylor, Scott Hunsaker, Aiden Maxfield, Annika (Gustavo) Hunsaker, Dasani (Josh) Gibson, Brannen Maxfield, Darby (Jakob) Leishman, Caleb Maxfield, David Hunsaker, Jonathan Hunsaker, London Hunsaker, Samuel Hunsaker, Roman Hunsaker, Hannah Hunsaker, and Von Hunsaker.

The only thing that could possibly surpass his love for his grandchildren was his love for his great grandchildren William and Ian Hunsaker.

Lynn was very involved in his community, including serving as Minidoka County Commissioner, Twin Falls and St George Temple workers, and as Bishop of the Rupert Third Ward where he was blessed to perform many marriages and conduct many, many funerals. People knew he loved them and trusted him to stand at the crossroads of important events in their lives.

With his dad and brothers, Lynn farmed Riverview Dairy. On the farm, many cousins - as well as neighborhood kids - learned to work, moving pipe, milking cows, and driving truck. Many multi-generational friendships were built in those years down on the river.

Lynn continued to farm until he developed Multiple Myeloma in 2011. After chemo treatment, Lynn could no longer tolerate the Idaho cold, and he and

Linda moved to St. George Utah. There they made many friends and shared wonderful experiences for nine years. Lynn continually found ways to be useful and of service to his neighbors. Everyone was his friend and he loved to share his sense of humor with all of them.

Lynn loved following sporting events; he was a Dodgers fan since he was a young boy and had a small radio under his pillow. He shared this love with his children and they often got on the phone to watch games together - MLB, Golden Knights hockey, World Cup soccer, and the NFL.

Above all else, Lynn most valued Linda and his children and grandchildren. He and Linda logged many thousands of miles attending graduations, games, weddings, plays, baptisms, and ordinations. He wanted his grandchildren to know he wasn't too old to hang out with them, even when it included jumping off a 15-foot houseboat at Lake Powell. He loved his children and grandchildren with everything he had and always ended his calls with "love you."

Lynn never knew a stranger. He attended the ball games, events, and presentations of not only his own family but also the grandchildren of his friends. Once he met his children's friends, he always asked about them, their children, and the things going on in their lives. He somehow kept track of everyone and made everyone feel special.

He is survived by his precious wife of 53 years, Linda; his children, and grandchildren; as well as all his siblings. He was preceded in death by his parents DeVon and Irene Hunsaker, and in-laws Vernon and Lois Hall.

Funeral Services will be held at 11 AM Saturday, January 7, 2023, at the Bloomington Hills 1st Ward, 1130 East Brigham Road, St. George, Utah.

Additional services will be held later this year in Rupert, ID.

Lynn's love for life was only surpassed by his love for everyone he met. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you take an extra moment to love and care for your fellow man. Lynn would love it.

The funeral services will be broadcast via zoom at the following ZOOM link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87316103881?pwd=NW9ubjMrSzJsTjMwanlwVHJGV2diQT09>

Meeting ID: 87316103881 Passcode: 364100

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 7. 11:00 AM (MT)

Bloomington Hills Stake Center
1130 E Brigham Rd
St. George, UT 84790
(801) 560-0353

Tribute Wall



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Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - January 05, 2023 at 06:00 PM



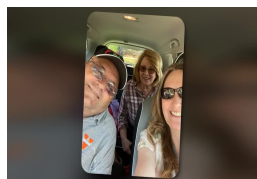
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TD

“ Sorry to read of Lynn’s passing. I enjoyed working on the Hunsaker Dairy Farm in Junior High and High School. I have fond memories and lasting friendships from my time spent there together. Best wishes for comfort and strength at this difficult time. Sincerely, Troy Dicou

Troy Dicou - January 07, 2023 at 12:01 AM

PG

“ Hello , the Hunsaker family ;
Sad to learn about this loss !
On a moment like this , one thinks : Aie , we should have visited you once more, and this really went through my mind, when Patricia gave us some news from Kathy or Alan ! But time goes on, we get older, and so many occupations !
We still well remember this nice week or a bit longer, that we spent with your family , after our daughter Patricia had lived with you for a year as an exchange-student. For her and for us this was a great experience, thanks to your good care , and kind attention ! We learned then also , how dedicated you both were for all human causes !
Rare are couples, that pass away together, in fact nice for them, but still more painful for the remaining family !
We hope, and wish , that you, dear Linda, together with that huge and great family, will overcome this big loss, that always comes too early !
We'll try to join in to zoom "to be with " Lynn ,you and the whole family !
Best wishes to all of you from
Tiny and Paul , the Dutch from France .

PAUL GELISSEN - January 06, 2023 at 05:22 PM

KB

“ I had the privilege of being one of his nurses before he moved to St George. I often felt the blessing of his friendship strengthened me as much as the medicines strengthened him. He was a loving gentleman. I know he will be missed by Linda and all his family, as well as his friends and neighbors. I am so grateful to have known him.

Kathy Banner - January 05, 2023 at 04:30 PM

HR

Love your post Kathy

Heidi Robbins - January 05, 2023 at 05:04 PM

JB

Linda our hearts and prayers are with you and your family. Lynn was a great man. We always appreciated the love & friendship we felt from both of you. Our love to you and your family.

Jolyn Bushman - January 05, 2023 at 11:50 PM

CM

Lynn was one of my favorite cousins, we lived in the city and we never knew what farm work was like. I remember hoeing sugar beets and peas, I think we ate more peas, than picking weeds, they were yummy (the peas that is). Us city slickers, would go to Rupert every summer and stay for one or two weeks. We enjoyed staying with both our grandparents and at Aunt Marjean's and Uncle Earl's home. We loved asking Lynn and Glenn to catch Rusty, their horse. I think that we could fit at least 4 or 5 of us cousins on him at one time. We all loved riding Rusty. Lynn told me when we were older, that he hated catching old Rusty and leading him around for us. I just remember Lynn's fun attitude, I remember flying down the road in a truck with no sides and standing behind the cab off the truck, we flew over the canal over-passes and we all screamed, but we loved it. Lynn was always a big tease and we loved it. When he was on his mission, we wrote to each other, they were great letters about the people he was teaching the gospel to. I still have them. I really loved my cousin Lynn and Linda was a wonderful wife to Lynn, and a good friend. I'll always cherish his fun and loving spirit.

Cathy Medell - January 06, 2023 at 02:59 AM

KF

“ Our family was welcomed to Rupert by Lynn, he truly was a fun loving guy, who wanted the best for everyone!

Kris Faux - January 05, 2023 at 02:07 PM

AB

Lynn was always upbeat. Great guy and a good friend. He will be missed by all who knew him.
Al and Kathy Barrus

Al and Kathy Barrus - January 06, 2023 at 11:12 AM

TA

Sorry for your loss, Linda. We haven't seen you since college but often wondered about both of you. We were married on the same day in the Idaho Falls temple, you and Karma had the exact same ring and you both had the same birthday. I think we also served in the Twin Falls temple at the same time. We started in 2010 and are still serving there. May the Lord bless and comfort you at this time.

Tim Archibald - January 06, 2023 at 11:57 AM